

Table 3. Natural Gas Consumption in the United States, 1993-1999
(Billion Cubic Feet)

Year and Month	Lease and Plant Fuel ^a	Pipeline Fuel ^b	Delivered to Consumers					Total Consumption
			Residential	Commercial	Industrial	Electric Utilities	Total	
1993 Total	1,172	624	4,956	2,863	7,981	2,682	18,483	20,279
1994 Total	1,124	685	4,848	2,897	8,167	2,987	18,899	20,708
1995 Total	1,220	700	4,850	3,034	8,580	3,197	19,660	21,581
1996 Total	1,250	711	5,241	3,161	8,870	2,732	20,006	21,967
1997								
January	104	88	902	475	816	139	2,332	2,523
February	94	78	757	421	759	143	2,081	2,253
March	104	73	606	360	782	190	1,938	2,115
April	99	61	433	270	739	193	1,635	1,795
May	102	54	284	204	713	232	1,432	1,588
June	97	49	164	154	690	297	1,305	1,451
July	101	52	128	144	683	429	1,385	1,537
August	101	51	118	140	717	391	1,366	1,518
September	99	49	129	142	689	333	1,293	1,440
October	102	52	234	190	711	244	1,380	1,534
November	99	65	497	306	748	180	1,731	1,895
December	101	81	731	411	796	197	2,135	2,317
Total	1,202	752	4,984	3,223	8,843	2,968	20,018	21,972
1998								
January	E106	82	803	447	800	171	2,221	2,410
February	E98	72	683	390	731	134	1,938	2,108
March	E106	73	639	369	750	194	1,952	2,131
April	E102	58	407	254	695	190	1,546	1,706
May	E105	52	220	175	669	293	1,357	1,514
June	E102	50	152	143	644	379	1,319	1,472
July	E104	54	129	153	684	449	1,416	1,574
August	RE106	54	116	160	686	458	1,419	1,579
September	RE101	51	120	159	666	380	1,325	1,477
October	E105	50	195	176	694	246	1,312	1,467
November(STIFS)	E103	E60	E413	E266	E722	NA	E1,592	E1,755
December(STIFS)	E107	E72	E655	E389	E742	NA	E1,974	E2,152
Total	E1,246	RE728	RE4,533	RE3,080	RE8,485	NA	RE19,371	RE21,344
1999								
January(STIFS)	E105	E84	E887	E491	E782	NA	E2,343	E2,532

^a Plant fuel data are only collected on an annual basis and monthly lease fuel data are only collected annually. Lease and plant fuel estimates have been between 6 and 7 percent of marketed production annually. Monthly lease and plant fuel use is estimated from monthly marketed production by assuming that the preceding annual percentage remains constant for the next twelve months.

^b Pipeline fuel use is only collected on an annual basis. Annually it is between 3 and 4 percent of total consumption. Monthly pipeline fuel data are estimated from monthly total consumption (excluding pipeline fuel) by assuming that the preceding annual percentage remains constant for the next twelve months.

^c Vehicle fuel deliveries, in billion cubic feet, were 0.4 in 1991, 0.5 in 1992, 1.0 in 1993, 1.7 in 1994, 2.7 in 1995, 2.9 in 1996 and 4.4 in 1997.

R = Revised Data.

E = Estimated Data.

RE = Revised Estimated Data.

NA = Not Available.

Notes: Data for 1993 through 1997 are final. All other data are preliminary unless otherwise indicated. Estimates for the most recent three months are derived from the Short-Term Integrated Forecasting System (STIFS). Geographic coverage is the 50 States and the District of Columbia. Totals may not equal sum of components because of independent rounding. In 1996, consumption of natural gas for agricultural use is classified as industrial use. In 1995 and earlier years, agricultural use was classified as commercial use. See Explanatory Note 5 for further explanation.

Sources: 1992-1996: Energy Information Administration (EIA): Form EIA-627, "Annual Quantity and Value of Natural Gas Report," (thru 1994), Form EIA-895 "Monthly Quantity of Natural Gas Report," (1995 forward), Form EIA-857, "Monthly Report of Natural Gas Purchases and Deliveries to Consumers," Form EIA-759, "Monthly Power Plant Report," EIA computations, and *Natural Gas Annual 1997*. January 1997 through the current month: EIA: Form 895, "Monthly Quantity of Natural Gas Report," Form EIA-857, Form EIA-759, and STIFS computations. See Appendix A, Explanatory Note 5, for computation procedures and revision policy.